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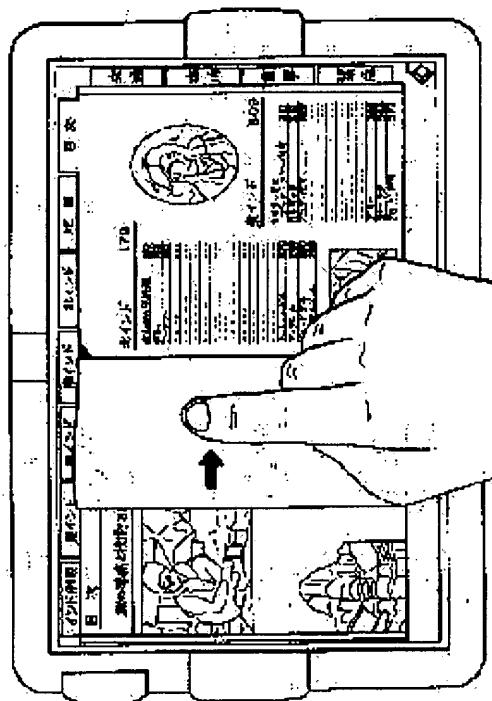
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(54) PORTABLE INFORMATION EQUIPMENT AND INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM



(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain an electronic book or a portable information equipment for realizing an operation input such as page turning by a convenient human interface and an information storage medium to be used for them.

SOLUTION: This is an electronic book for outputting information to which a page number is applied as image information by page units. This device is provided with a finger input detecting part 10 for detecting the contact pressure, contact area, and contact position of a finger brought into contact with a display part, a finger input judging part 30 for judging page turning input, continuous page turning input, bookmark insertion, and bookmark insertion part reference input or the like based on the detected contact pressure, contact area, contact position, and moving direction of the finger, a page picture update controlling part 40 for controlling the update of the page picture, a bookmark processing part 50 for operating bookmark insertion and reference processing, and a picture

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generating g part 60 for generating a picture to be displayed at the display part. Then, at least one of the contact pressure and contact area of the finger is detected, and the presence or absence of the page turning input is judged based on at least one of them. Thus, it is possible to more accurately discriminate the page turning input from the other operation input compared with the case of the input of the page turning execution based on only the moving direction of the finger. Thus, much more input patterns can be formed only by the finger operation by using not only the moving direction of the finger but also the contact pressure and contact area of the finger as materials for judging the input.

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